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PM/DTTC - BLUE LANTERN COORDINATOR

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SUBJECT: BLUE LANTERN RESPONSE ON POST-SHIPMENT END-USE

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- 11. Pursuant to reftel request, Econoff contacted the office of the Principal Assistant Secretary (PAS) for Procurement within the Malaysian Ministry of Defense (MOD) regarding the sale of 48 Detroit diesel engines (model 5063-539H, rated 305 BHP) for armored vehicles. Econoff was referred to PUAN Zai, the personal assistant to PAS HATON Bibi Binti Abdullah, and then again referred to Major FAZLI, who works for PAS Haton. Fazli confirmed that the MOD in December 2009 received 48 engines (Econoff did not inform them on the number of engines, and Fazli reported the correct number) and then transferred the engines to the Malaysian company cited in reftel, DEFTECH DRB-HICOM Defense Technologies Sdn Bhd. Fazli said that DEFTECH is installing the engines in new armored vehicle kits manufactured by FNSS Defense Systems, a Turkish defense company.
- 12. The information provided by Fazli and the PAS office track with reftel information, which appears to be a legitimate transaction and that the items are being used for the purpose stated on the license.
- $\P 3$. For the record, the phone number provided in reftel for the office of the PAS was incorrect. The correct number is 03-2071-5710. KEITH